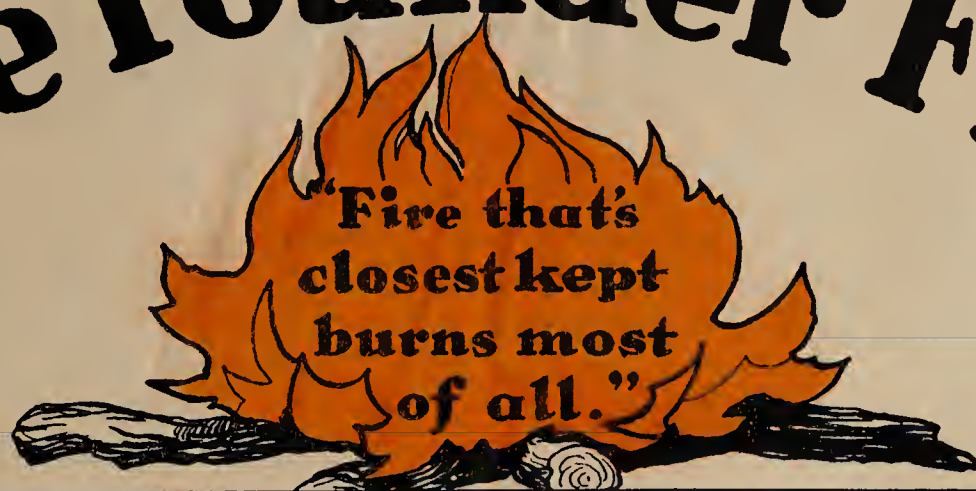


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HELLO, YOU ETERNALLY BUSY FOUNDERS!

How's everything coming along? Last month I told you that we were as busy here in St. Louis in the Founder office as a one-legged dog with fleas, but I am glad to inform you that condition no longer applies. You see, since then, the poor one-legged dog lost his last leg and the fleas have increased in number considerably.

THESE ARE THE DAYS

when a fellow must be in the pink of condition or, by golly, he falls by the wayside, and that's no joke. I wouldn't want to attempt to list here all the things that we are trying to cover, but if you will just let your mind run into the camps and try to call to mind the ten thousand and ten different things that must be right there - Johnny on the spot, with nothing missing, when you all arrive in camp, you'll know just a bit what I have in mind.

AND THAT AIN'T NOTHIN'

at all, for that is just the business end of the camp, in operation - just one of a hundred different out-reaches. But why trouble you with all these details? You should worry how busy we are and as for us, hotsy totsy, the more we have to do the better we like it. Sometimes the old head goes buzzin' away merrily, but what of that. By cracky, it's simply great to be hitting it up on all sixteen.

AND GLORY HALLELUIAH!

Things are coming along a whooping! We have more than twice the number of registrations for the Younger Girls' Camp that we had last year at this time. That dandy new pioneer Younger Boys' Camp is just about filled. I don't want to scare any of you off, but I just want to tell you that if you have any younger boys that

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you have been working with and you dead sure want to get them across the line, don't take time to write, wire immediately for reservations or for detailed information.



At this very moment when these words are dictated, we have twenty-one registrations and as you know, the original limit that we set for this camp is twenty-five. I wouldn't want to say that we would accept two over that limit, but I do confess it would please me if we would have one over the quota, and I promise you right here and now that whoever that one may be, that twenty-sixth boy will be accepted. Now go to it and grab up that place!

CAMP MERROWVISTA GIRLS

still continue to lead all other camps in the percentage of campers registered for 1930, based on the registrations of last year's camp. I want to give you my word that that bunch of Merrowvista girls are an up-and-coming bunch of fighters. We are looking forward to a red-hot, peppy, go-getter camp this year at Merrowvista and that's not maybe.

I AM BANKING HARD

on those Merrowvista girls to bring home the bacon and make good on the quota that has been set for this year's camp. The Merrowvista girls who are not fighting hammer and tongs to achieve this result are just about as scarce as hen's teeth. If any of you know of any Merrowvista girls who are not on the job in lining up campers for this year, just drop me a little note, because I'd like to write them a letter.

IN JUST ABOUT THREE WEEKS

the Merrowvista Boys' Camp will get under way. That date is June 30. There are a number of Merrowvista fellows who are still sitting on the sharpest pickets on the fence. They don't know it, but I'm creeping up behind them with a great big bludgeon in my hand and one of these sweet days I am going to reach up and hand them a wallop and blooie! you are going to see them topple off on the right side of the fence with the loveliest little grin on their faces that you ever saw in all your born days.



SERIOUSLY

I wish I had an arm as long as this good old United States of America is wide. I would just reach out and grab a couple of you fellows by the nape of the neck and give you a lovely little jiggle just to wake you up. Now there are some fellows who are going to go down and walk across the equator around camp time and, of course, we can hardly expect to have them with us.

We will remember them when we are having all those mighty good times at Merrowvista.

BUT THE VERY IDEA

of a fellow excusing himself from going back to Merrowvista - just about the biggest thing in his life - because some other little 2 x 4 "counter pull" bobs up on his horizon.

COME ON, WAKE UP

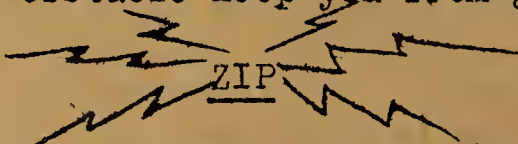


Don't you fellows realize that the biggest job you've got on the boards these days is to get the biggest kind of line on yourself, understand yourself, be master of yourself, and fit yourself for real leadership stuff in the days ahead. You can't do that in just two weeks of one summer at Merrowvista. You've got to "follow through". If you've ever played golf, you know exactly what that means. The fellow who doesn't follow through is hooking and slicing, and he is clubbing the ball all over the lot. Ten years from now, believe me, he

is going to be in the rough and the old ball is going to be so entangled in the weeds and thickets and other obstacles, that he will spend the next ten years of his life trying to get back again on the fairway. You get me, don't you?

THAT'S THE WORD - "FOLLOW THROUGH"

That's exactly what Merrowvista will do for you in these mighty important years of your life. It will show you how to follow through and pile up those experiences that are going to mean just everything to you a few years from now. How dare you let some little obstacle keep you from getting back to Merrowvista.



There goes that long arm of mine out across the United States and I want you to understand that I've got you right now by the back of the neck. If I had some of you fellows here, believe me, I'd turn you over my knee and spank you. It's coming to you. Shame on you for getting me all "het" up like this. It's hot enough without my fuming and sweating myself all to the bow-wows about some of you procrastinating lollipoloosers.

NOW LET'S STOP JOSHING

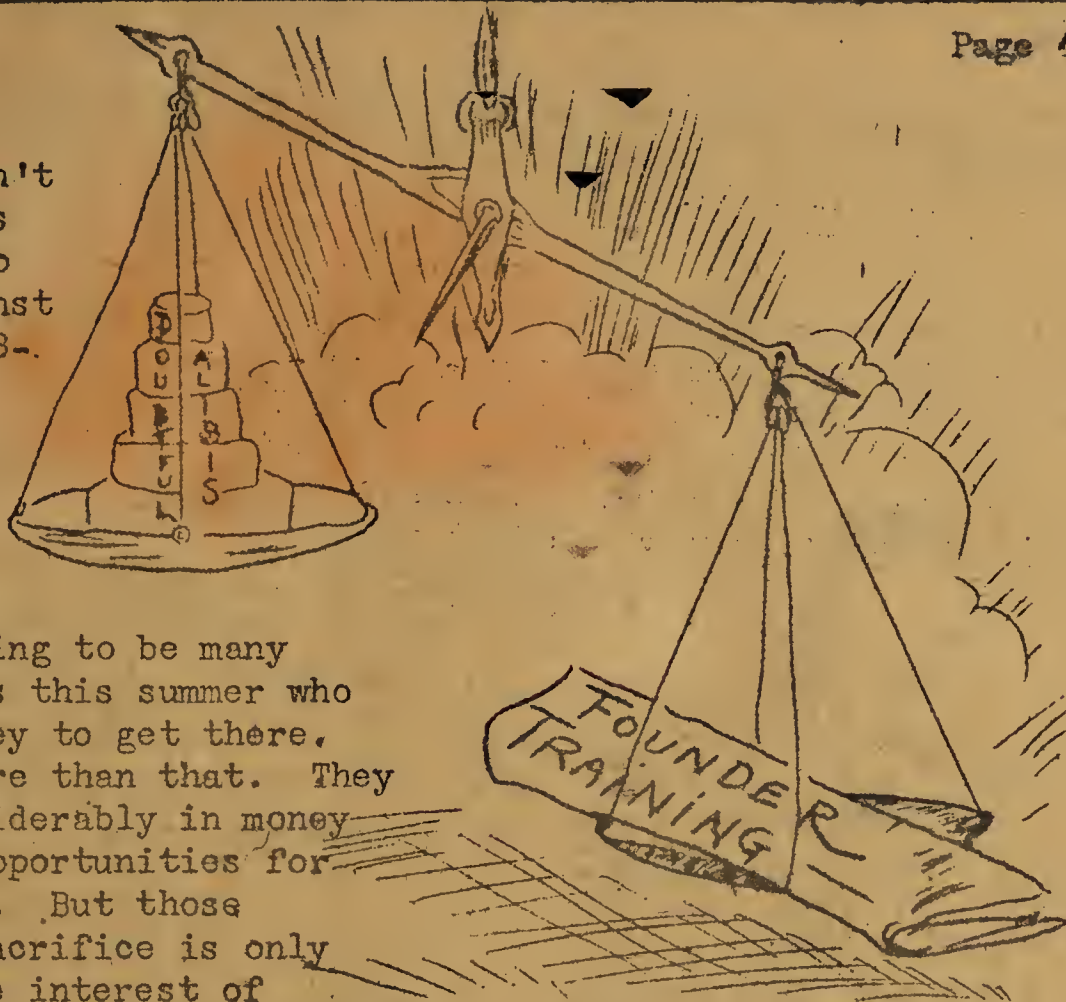
Merrowvista has something for you this summer. Come on back and get it. Put in two weeks in that great old camp with your friends, piling up those wonderful experiences, and then the rest of the summer go ahead and carry out your other plans.

MONEY?

Bless your hearts, there isn't a single one of you that has anything on me. I'd hate to tell you what I was up against when I was a fellow 16 to 18-

19 years of age. It's a mighty good test for some of us to find it hard - mighty, mighty hard, for us to get up to the FOUNDER Camps. I would not have it

easy for you. There are going to be many campers in the FOUNDER Camps this summer who are going to borrow the money to get there. And they are going to do more than that. They are going to sacrifice considerably in money in the shape of wages and opportunities for short term jobs this summer. But those FOUNDERS realize that the sacrifice is only temporary and is made in the interest of getting equipment that is going to enable them to put themselves over in a bigger and more profitable way in the days that lie just ahead.

HERE'S HOW

one fine FOUNDER is planning to make camp this summer. Two days ago his registration card came in and his \$1.00 registration fee. With it came a letter saying: "I am going to Europe this summer, but here's my registration card for Camp Miniwanca. Believe me, there isn't any country in Europe, in fact, any country in the world, that could keep me from getting back to the FOUNDER Camp this summer. My first experience there last year was just the biggest thing that ever happened to me and I'm not going to quit. I want more of that stuff. I wouldn't miss it for the world."

AND THAT FELLOW

is going to cut his trip short in order to get back in time for the FOUNDER Camps. Now bat that one around a little while. Methinks I can hear some of you say, "Well, believe me, if I were going to Europe and could get in the two things, I certainly would do the same." Well now, those of you in the society who are not going to Europe, can just cut out that line of thinking. The chances are ten to one, that if you are not thinking seriously enough of your future training to overcome all the hazards and handicaps that you face locally, if you ever got abroad, you'd hang around over there with the king until the last boat left the pier and then they would probably have to throw you a rope to drag you on board.

COME ON, ELEANOR!

That's Eleanor Sederlund from Springfield, Massachusetts. Eleanor's card just

came cracking into the office yesterday and with it a note from Eleanor, reading something like this - "Here you are Wadjepi. I'm delighted to send my card for Merrowvista. I didn't think that I would be able to make it, but when I was asked the other day when I wanted my vacation, you can just bet I just jumped at the chance to tell them exactly when and how long."

AND WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT

ELEANOR IS HOLDING DOWN A NEW JOB. YES SIR, A NEW JOB, AND STILL SHE IS GOING TO GET TIME OFF TO GO TO MERROWVISTA.

NOW LISTEN, YOU CAMPER GANG

Both Miniwanca and Merrowvista. You will be perfectly amazed to know how interested most of your employers will be in a fine, frank statement of the FOUNDER Camps. Naturally, these men aren't going to be at all interested in giving you time off to go to a hinky-dinky summer resort somewhere just to hang around a couple of weeks. But you let them know that you want to go to a camp where you can get some real training to make yourself more capable of rendering constructive Christian service in connection with your work, and I am going to tell you that they are certainly going to give you an even break in the matter of your vacation. And where in heaven's name could you spend a lovelier and finer time than in one of the FOUNDER Camps.

HOLD YOUR BREATH



If I just had one hundred FOUNDERS like this girl, I would fill the entire FOUNDER Camps this summer. I have in mind one of our dandy FOUNDER girls who up to this moment, has personally registered eight campers for various FOUNDER Camps. And how her letters do sparkle and crack when they come humming into this office.

FOUNDER! LISTEN!!

AN ACE OF A GIRL!

If you have never in all your born FOUNDER days registered another camper for Miniwanca or Merrowvista, you have something coming to you. I don't care if you've been in camp only one year or if you are never going to get back in the next nine hundred and twenty-seven years. At least give yourself that fine unparalleled experience of passing on to someone else the joys and opportunities of the FOUNDER Camps.

SO GO TO IT!

Make this the snappiest, most satisfying year that you have ever had in all your life, because you have been responsible for sending someone to one of the FOUNDER Camps. And will you please remember that every old camper who registers a brand-new camper for the first time, and the camper actually attends camp, has to her credit a \$5.00 commission for having rendered that service. As many FOUNDERS have told me from time to time, they do not have to have that \$5.00

commission as an urge to make them talk camp to their friends. They do that anyhow and are only too happy to render the service. However, these \$5.00 come in mighty handy as you plan your own trip to camp. So go to it and make the most of it.

BEAN HOLE BEANS

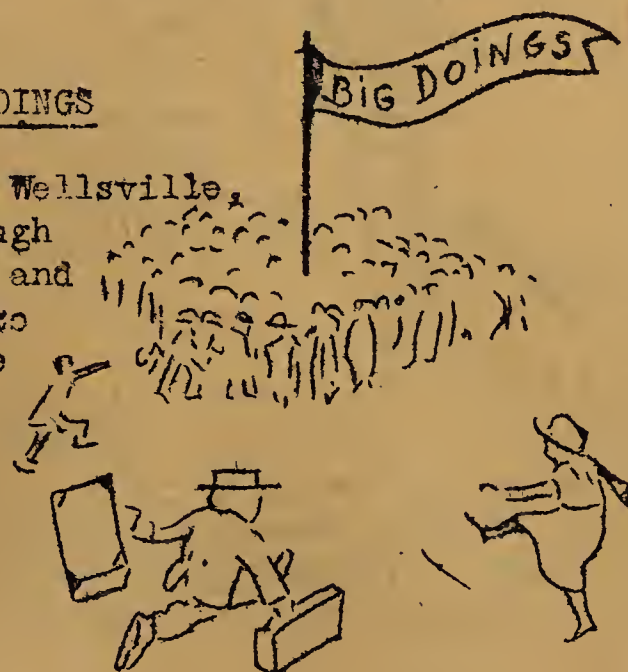
This is a pretty good place to tell about the St. Louis Annual Spring Bean Hole Bean Party down along the Mississippi River. About seventy-five or eighty mighty fine FOUNDERS and their friends were on hand for the big doings. It was a perfect day and the beans were good. There were baseball games, the inevitable treasure hunt, (and of course, a few lost tribes) plenty of food to eat, Hillside, and the Council Fire. Kinji unexpectedly blew in from Boston, so that he was able to attend his first St. Louis Bean Hole Bean affair. A nice bunch of registrations of new campers is always the result of this dandy party and that is true, of course, of every FOUNDER center everywhere.

DAD WAITE GOES ON THE WAR PATH

On Monday, June 2, Dad boarded train at St. Louis, enroute to New England. He will spend the entire month of June visiting twenty-eight different cities, assisting the FOUNDERS at these points to line up their prospects and sign them up for Camp Merrowvista. Of course, Dad can't visit every FOUNDER point in New England, so the rest of you FOUNDERS in the East will please take notice that Dad is expecting you to match every registration that he lines up on this big trip. Dad's trip will bring him to Merrowvista on Saturday, June 28, which is the same day that Kinji and the writer will arrive. So go to it, the whole bunch of you, and show Dad the time of his life.

DAYTON FOUNDERS HAVE BIG DOINGS

Kinji, Dad and I spent the week-end of May 2-5 in Wellsville, Ohio. Then Kinji started on a big trip down through West Virginia, Washington, Philadelphia, New York and up into New England. Dad came back to St. Louis to spend the month of May in special work here in the city. On my return to St. Louis I stopped off at New Castle, Indiana, where we lined up a nice group of campers for the various Miamiwanka camps, then on to Dayton for a perfect whiz of a party with the Dayton FOUNDERS and their friends.



THE GANG MET

in a lovely park overlooking the city, where the Park Commissioners have a series of Adirondack shacks with outdoor fire places. We had plenty of food to eat and a whale of a good time. An exceptionally fine Council Fire closed the day and even while I was on the ground, registrations were handed to me and definite reservations made for places in the various FOUNDER Camps. My, oh my, what a bunch that Dayton gang of FOUNDERS is.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

I met a bunch of old-time FOUNDER friends and we had a perfectly wonderful evening together. We are looking for some Indianapolis FOUNDERS this year in camp to swell the Hoosier gang.

IN THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE

Kinji met a bunch of thirty or more FOUNDERS from Philadelphia and the surrounding territory. He reports an exceptionally fine spirit among the FOUNDER bunch in the Philadelphia area. We're looking for a nice increase in registrations from that neck of the woods for this summer's camp.

THEN OVER IN LITTLE OLD NEW YORK

Kinji again met the bunch from New York and vicinity. New York will have a nice delegation on hand at Merrowvista this year.

AND SO IT GOES ALL ALONG THE LINE

We could just go on and on and on - almost forever, telling you of the wonderful way in which the FOUNDERS everywhere are on their toes - boosting the FOUNDER Camps to their friends, persuading their chums and buddies to swing up to the Camp and get the unique experience that they themselves have had. But we can't go on for there is much to do and believe me, these certainly are red-hot busy days, so

NOW I'LL GIVE YOU

your camp instructions so that you know just exactly what to do in the matter of making your preparations for your trip to camp. Be very sure to file this copy of the FOUNDER FIRE away carefully so that you will have it when you are ready to start on your trip to camp. Better take it along with you to check up on anything that you are likely to overlook in the rush of getting off to camp.

Note

the following instructions are for all campers, traveling from all points. Read carefully, with pencil in hand, and check the paragraphs that are applicable to you.



TRAVELING INSTRUCTIONS

FOR CAMPERS ENROLLED FOR CAMP MINIWANCA, MICHIGAN.

WHEN YOU ARE DUE IN CAMP

Girls' Camp opens officially with Supper, Monday, August 4.
Boys' Camp " " " " Monday, August 18.

All campers and leaders should be in camp on date of opening. To make this connection it is advisable to arrive in Muskegon or Ludington, Michigan, on Monday morning - the opening day of camp.

Do not come a day earlier as we will not be able to accommodate you.

Look up your connections and plan accordingly.

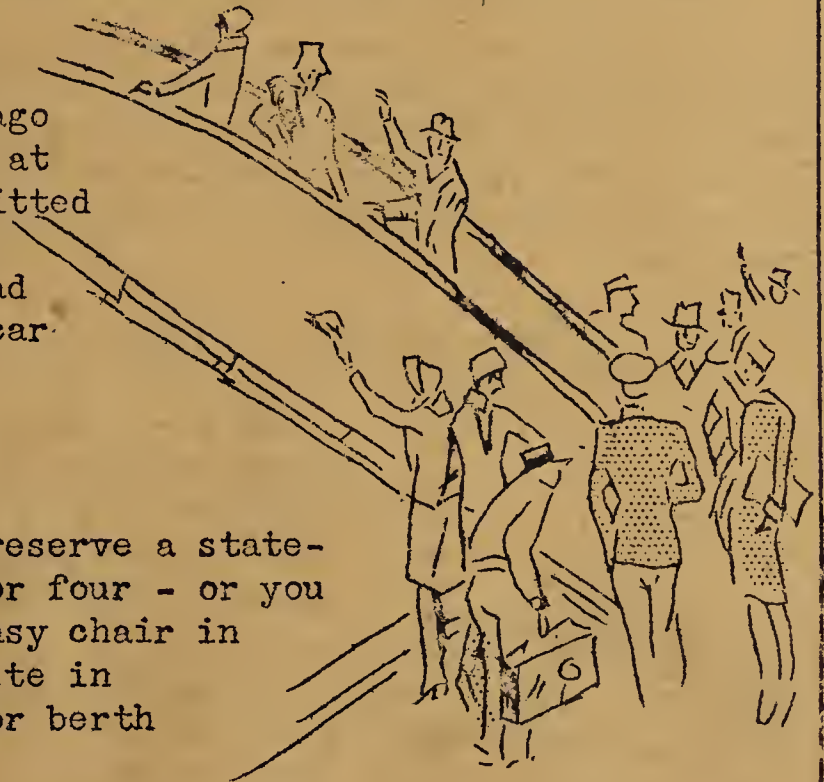
Campers coming through Chicago should note the following schedule:

GOODRICH TRANSIT LINES - FROM CHICAGO

Boat Trip. All boats leave from the Chicago Municipal Pier. Sunday night boat leaves at 10:30 Daylight Saving Time. You are permitted to go on board any time after 7 o'clock. (Allow about 30 minutes to go from railroad station to boat.) Be sure to ask street car conductor if you are headed right.

AN ENTIRE STATEROOM ON A BOAT

is \$5.00. A group may club together and reserve a state-room at \$1.25 each, with sleeping space for four - or you can spend the night on deck or in a big easy chair in the grand salon - just as you desire. Write in advance direct to the Steamship Company for berth reservation.



HOW TO GET TO MUNICIPAL PIER

from Illinois Central and Dearborn Street Stations.

Take State Street car (which is two blocks west from I. C. and one block east from Dearborn) north to Grand Avenue. Transfer Grand car east to Pier.

Union Station -- Street car on Adams Street (passing Station) east to Clark St. Transfer north on Clark to Grand. Transfer at Grand, east to Pier.

LaSalle Street Station -- Take Clark Street car (one block east from Station) north to Grand. Transfer at Grand, east to Pier.

Northwestern Station -- Take Madison Street car at Station, east to Clark, Transfer north on Clark to Grand. Transfer on Grand, east to Pier.

OF COURSE! A bunch can ride in a taxi direct to Pier for, perhaps, 30¢ each. Or use your Parmalle Bus Transfer ticket, if you have a through ticket.

PERE MARQUETTE STEAMERS (FROM MILWAUKEE TO LUDINGTON)

Night boat leaves Milwaukee at 8:00 P.M., arriving at Ludington at 5:00 A.M.
Be sure to check on this upon arrival at Milwaukee.

SPECIAL NOTE

Campers who will take the night boat out of Chicago for Muskegon should plan to get to Chicago Sunday morning. Visit some Chicago Sunday Schools and Churches during the day and make boat connections that night.

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SPECIAL for campers in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Ontario, New York, and Penn.

See your agent for best routing to Muskegon. Your connections to Muskegon, Michigan, will undoubtedly be by way of Grand Rapids. Be sure to make connections so as to take early morning train on the Pennsylvania Railroad leaving Grand Rapids at 7:55 and arriving at Muskegon at 9:20 A.M. Monday. Check up on this with your Railroad Agent. If, by any chance, connections at Grand Rapids are missed, take 11:50 A.M. train or Motor Bus (across from R. R. Station) from Grand Rapids to Muskegon and go to the Greyhound Bus Waiting Room in Muskegon. Get to Muskegon as soon as possible. Then take first Greyhound bus to Shelby, Michigan and telephone to camp. We will call for you.

Note this is for emergency only.

ARRIVING AT MUSKEGON

Arrangements have been made with the Greyhound Bus Company to transport campers from Muskegon to camp. A low rate of \$1.50 including baggage, has been secured for the motor trip of 45 miles.

Campers arriving at Ludington from Milwaukee will take Greyhound Bus at boat landing to New Era, where they will connect with the buses going through New Era to Camp from Muskegon. Campers traveling to Muskegon by motor bus, should connect with other campers at the Greyhound Motor Coach Waiting Room.

EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

This is for emergency which we do not think will take place. If you miss all connections and get to Muskegon late in the day, go to the Greyhound Motor Coach Waiting Room to meet any other emergency campers; then, take Greyhound Bus, regular scheduled run, to Shelby, Michigan. Go to Shelby Hotel (there is only one) and call up Camp Miniwanca at Stony Lake and we will come for you.

BUYING YOUR TICKETS

If you come to camp through Chicago or from points South, Southwest, and East of Lake Michigan, then your camp station is Muskegon, Michigan. Campers from Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Dakotas should buy tickets to Ludington, Michigan, by way of Milwaukee. Both points are Summer Tourist Points. Low return fares apply on all lines. (See your Agent early. Buy a return ticket.) Goodrich Transit Boats - Chicago to Muskegon -- Pere Marquette (not railroad) Steamers from Milwaukee to Ludington. Low boat rates of \$5.50 are available to FOUNDER Campers from Chicago to Muskegon. Campers from distant points buy return through rail and boat tickets from your local station.

Take these instructions with you and show to Goodrich Boat Agent to get special transportation information. Attend to this matter early.

DRIVING THROUGH TO CAMP

If you plan to drive through to camp, head for Muskegon, Michigan. Go north on U.S. 31, to a point a little more than one mile past New Era - follow Camp Miniwanca signs on gravel road leading off left from main highway, to camp.

VISITORS

Relatives of campers are invited to visit the camps. If space is available, we will gladly accommodate visitors over night (in a guest tent) and for meals. Nominal rates will be charged. For those who cannot be accommodated at Miniwanca, a splendid little resort lodge has just been erected near the camp, where accommodations may be had at reasonable rates. For rates and reservations write to H. E. Huey, Manager, Benona Lodge, R.F.D. 2, Shelby, Michigan.

READ YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AGAIN

Take them with you on your trip. All questions are answered. If you buy separate return trip boat ticket, show these instructions to the Ticket Agent at the Dock for identification purposes. This will get you a reduced return trip boat rate.

SUMMER MAILING ADDRESSES

The offices of The American Youth Foundation in St. Louis will be closed during the summer months, beginning June 21. All business pertaining to the Foundation and to the summer camps will be transacted from the summer administration headquarters, Camp Merrowvista, Center Ossipee, New Hampshire, until July 26th. Address all Merrowvista mail to Camp Merrowvista. Also address Kinji, Dad, and Wadjepi at Camp Merrowvista until July 26th. After that to Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan.

All mail pertaining to Camp Miniwanca registrations for Younger Boys', Younger Girls' and Older Boys' and Girls' Camps and Reunion, address to Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan.



TRAVELING INSTRUCTIONS FOR MERROWVISTA CAMPERS

WHEN YOU ARE DUE IN CAMP

Boys' Camp opens officially with Supper, Monday, June 30th.
Girls' Camp " " " " Monday, July 14th.

All campers and leaders are expected to be in Camp at starting time.

If you are coming by way of Boston, plan your trip to arrive in Boston the Monday morning that camp begins, in time to take the Boston & Maine train from North Station at 7:40 (Eastern Standard Time) to Mountain View, N. H. (Be sure to have your local Agent verify this schedule for you.) Do not come a day early - we will not be able to accommodate you.

BUYING YOUR TICKET

Insist on Agent giving you a round trip Summer Tourist Ticket to Mountain View, N. H. Make application for ticket well in advance of going to camp, so that Agent can secure tariff data from head office of Railroad in event of not having information in hand regarding Mountain View, N. H.

FOR THOSE TRAVELING BY RAIL OR BOAT

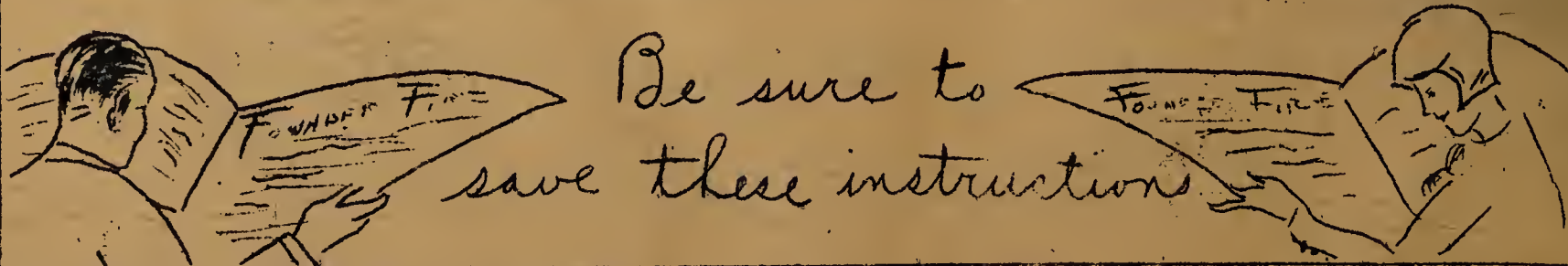
Some campers travel by boat from Philadelphia and other points to Boston - then rail to camp. You can purchase a Summer Tourist rail and boat ticket to Mountain View, N. H. Upon arrival in Boston, make connections with the above train schedule for Mountain View.

ARRIVING AT MOUNTAIN VIEW

Mountain View is a small village. You will be met at the Station by one of the representatives of the camp. A contract has been made with a local hauling concern for conveying campers from Mountain View to camp. A very low rate of \$1.00 for the trip has been named. A charge of 10¢ will be made for each parcel or suit case that is hauled to and from camp.

VISITORS

Relatives of campers are invited to visit the camps. If space is available, we will gladly accommodate visitors over night (in a guest tent) and for meals. Nominal rates will be charged. If accommodations cannot be provided at Camp Merrowvista, reservations may be made at the Village Hotel, five miles from camp, or at Rolin Park, across Danhole Lake.



WHAT TO TAKE TO CAMP

Bathing suit (two if you have them)
Bathing cap and shoes
Pajamas or nightgown
Slicker
Heavy sweater or jacket
Tennis shoes - low-heeled oxfords
Bathrobe
Socks or stockings
Several clean rags
Needle, thread, pins, safety pins,
Buttons, twine
Lotion or cold cream, mosquito dope
Nail file and scissors
Comic costume - if you have one.

Kodak
Comb and brush
Handkerchiefs
Tooth brush and container
Soap and container
Tooth paste
Pocket knife - Flashlight
Bible
Wrapping paper and twine if
mailing bundles home.
Fountain pen and pencils
Old pair shoes to wear on hike
back to swimming dock at
Stony Lake

SPECIAL GIRLS' LIST

Ties, belt, shirts or middies
Wool knickers
At least one pair of white knickers
Practical underwear - shorts
step-ins, bloomers, etc.

SPECIAL LIST FOR BOYS

Extra pair of old trousers
Outing shirts

DO NOT BRING TRUNK TO CAMP

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WHAT TO MAIL TO CAMP, TWO WEEKS BEFORE STARTING ON YOUR TRIP

3 warm blankets
Change of sheets - cot size
Change of pillow slips
Face towels - bath towels - wash cloths
Sweater or shoes that you may not want to carry.

BEDDING

Use the enclosed
mailing stickers
and also write address
on package.

Films, notebooks and paper, camp stationery, camp postcards and stamps are on sale at the camp store.

IMPORTANT - Campers who cannot swim must wear red bathing caps. Others wear other colored caps.

Do not have candy or food mailed to you at camp. You will have plenty to eat at meal time.

CAMP MINIWANCA

CAMP MERROWVISTA

CAMP MAILING ADDRESSES

c/o The American Youth Foundation,
Camp Miniwanca,
Shelby, Michigan

Camp Merrowvista,
Center Ossipee,
N. H.

Be sure to send mail in plenty of time to reach Camp before your arrival
Wrap packages carefully.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING PACKAGES

The simplest and safest way to mail your camp material is to buy or make a canvas duffle bag. You can get one from second-hand Army Supply stores or any sporting goods store. Estimate size of bundle or bundles you plan to mail, then buy or make canvas bags to carry all your stuff. If boxes or wrapping paper are used, be sure to save wrapper for returning your camp outfit. Suit cases can be mailed. DON'T ship by express.

The orchestra is always a big feature of the camp-conference. Be sure to bring your musical instruments with you.

YOUR REGISTRATION FEE

\$3.00 of your total cost of \$43.00 is to cover your registration fee. If you have paid one dollar, the other two are due before starting for camp. Make check or money order payable to The American Youth Foundation. Add 10¢ for exchange on checks. If your full camp fee of \$43.00 is being sent in by some one other than yourself, then this paragraph does not apply to you.

HEALTH -- SANITATION

A complete system of modern sanitation has been installed at the FOUNDER Camps. A trained nurse is on the grounds and medical help is available at all times.

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PURPOSE OF THE CAMPS

The purpose of the Camps can be expressed in five words - Self discovery and Christian Leadership Training. The Camp offers you the greatest opportunity of your life to get a real line on yourself and to develop your qualities of leadership. These are Christian Personality Camps.

WE WELCOME YOU to our big circle of campers and leaders - FOUNDERS, and look forward with pleasure to having you as a camp-partner for these two wonderful weeks in the FOUNDER Camps.

AND THAT'S THAT

Now you know exactly what to do. Reading that material makes you realize how mighty close camp is. You Merrowvista fellows will be getting this copy of the FOUNDER FIRE just a short time before you start for camp.

BETTER REMEMBER

to mail your blankets and duffle bag and other material that you are going to send on in advance, right away quick. You want to be sure to have that stuff awaiting you when you arrive at Merrowvista. You Miniwanca campers will want to remember that these instructions are the only ones that you will receive in connection with the camps that you will attend. So again I say, read carefully and do not destroy this copy of the FOUNDER FIRE.

YOU CAMPERS WHO HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED

When you have read all this material, I just hope that you will feel so mighty uncomfortable and so exceedingly unhappy, and homesick for your FOUNDER friends, that you will grab your pencil right away and fill in your registration card, put in your dollar and rush the whole outfit to the FOUNDER office air-mail.

WHICH REMINDS ME

that any of you who are planning to send in your registrations even at the last moment, after June 21, you Merrowvista campers will want to send your mail direct to Camp Merrowvista, Center Ossipee, New Hampshire. Do not send it to St. Louis after June 21.

AND NOW, ONE LAST MESSAGE FROM HILLSIDE

A leader, whose name we do not know (name was not on the notes submitted) at one of the FOUNDER Camps last summer, said:

"How Big Is Your Universe"

"We are living in many worlds. The world of home, of business, of play, of books. Jesus also lived in more than one world. His feet were on the ground, but his eyes were fixed on another heaven when he said before Pilate - "My kingdom is not of this world." Why not expand our worlds?

1. The geographic world. We are born into a small provincial community, but we can expand it to include the world and understand all other people.

2. We are born in a world of material demands, but we can make it a kingdom of ideals.

3. We are born into a world of time and space, but we can expand it so that we are living in a spiritual world.

How big is your universe?"

AND AT CAMP MERROWISTA

Mrs. Walter J. Benedict (Peg Speare) speaking on "The Journey of Life", said:

- "1. Making the start -- see if your car is in good condition.
2. What to take along to guide us.
 - (1) Fellow Traveller - Jesus
 - (2) Bluebook - Bible
 - (3) Up-to-date Road Map - Experiences of others.
 - (4) Your own plan for the route.
3. Experiences along the way.
 - (1) Making the grade with reserve energy
 - (2) Keep from skidding with brakes of self control
 - (3) Be fair in meeting others on the road.
4. Observing the signs along the road.
 - (1) "Keep to the right"
 - (2) "Slow up - curve ahead"
 - (3) "Detour"
 - (4) "Blind end"
 - (5) "Proceed at your own risk"
 - (6) "Keep car under gear control"

CAMPER - FOUNDER

These stirring challenges from the Hillside await you again at Merrowvista and Miniwanca. Your camper friends will be there to greet you. Your old leader friends and comrades will be on hand in larger numbers than ever. Two weeks of challenging heart-warming, soul-stirring, positive Christian living according to the Jesus' way, awaits you.

WILL YOU HEAR THE CALL?

Will you camp with us again this year and fit yourself anew for larger and bigger things as you strive to work out your life plans? We want you. We expect you. Don't disappoint us.

I'll see you in camp.

Sincerely yours,

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